

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A polarizing member comprising a sheet-like member formed so that linearly polarized light can be obtained as transmitted light through said sheet-like member after natural light is incident on a rear surface of said sheet-like member, wherein said sheet-like member exhibits a transmittance difference of not larger than 6% between transmitted light components within a 20 nm-wide wavelength region in a transmission spectrum of light in a wavelength range of from 520 to 640 nm when said natural light is incident on said sheet-like member at any angle ranging from an angle viewing from a line normal to a surface of said sheet-like member to an election angle of 80 degrees with respect to the line normal to the surface of said sheet-like member.

Please add new claims 10-11 as follows:

10. A polarizing member according to claim 1, wherein the transmittance difference is not larger than 3%.

11. A polarizing member according to claim 1, wherein the transmittance difference is not larger than 2%.